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The annexed is the following Depositions taken before Richard Prince Esqr. Chief of Vizagapatam.

This decla; rañ is annext to the Will. N. C. *Regr.*

We Messrs. Robert Goodere & Foss Westcott do declare up on oath to the best of our knowledge, the annex'd Last Will & Testament to be all the hand writing & signing of the Deceas'd M^{r}. Thomas Pitt whereunto we have set our hands this 19th. Sepr. 1744.

ROB^{T}. GOODERE.
FOSS WESTCOTT.

IN THE NAME OF GOD AMEN I Ann Hammond of Fort S^{t}. George in the East Indies Widow being Weak in Body but of sound mind, Memory, and understanding Do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament. First I recommend my soul to God and my Body to be decently Buryed at the Discretion of my Executor hereafter named, and in the next place I will that all my just Debts and Funeral charges be paid and discharged and as to what worldly Estate it hath Pleased God to Bless me with I give and dispose thereof as follows. I Give my slave Boy named Lewis to Capt. Lewis Tornery of Vizagapatam, and my slave Boy named Casaz to my Well Beloved Brother Captain George Bright To hold to them their Executors administrators and assigns. ITEM I give my slave Girl named Domingo to my well Beloved Sister Mary Stratton, and my slave Girl named Nelle to my well beloved Sister Phillis Hopkins To hold to my said Sisters during their Natural Lives respectively at whose severall Deaths I will to each of them my said slave Girls their Freedom. ITEM I Give devise and bequeath unto my neice ANN BRIGHT Daughter of my said Brother my slave Girl named Sallam to be delivered to her immediately after my Death and the summ of One hundred Pagodas Current of Madras to be paid her at the age of Twenty one years or day of Marriage with the Interest or produce that shall arise in the meantime therefrom but in case of her Death before the said age or Marriage then the same shall fall into the residuum of my Estate. ITEM I give devise and bequeath all my Wearing apparell whatsoever to my said Sisters Mary Stratton and Phillis Hopkins to be divided between them share and share alike. ITEM I Give devise and bequeath unto my said Brother George Bright and my Sisters Mary Stratton and Phillis Hopkins all the rest residue and remainder of my Estate whatsoever and wheresoever to be equally divided amongst them share and share alike. AND I do nominate constitute and appoint my well beloved Brother John Stratton whole and sole Executor of this my Will hereby revoking disannuling & making void all other and former wills by me at any time heretofore made in Word or Writing. IN WITNESS whereof the said Testatrix hath hereunto sett her Hand and seal in Fort S^{t}. George aforesaid this Eighteenth day of December In the Year of our Lord One Thousand seven hundred and Forty four.

SIGNED, SEALED, PUBLISHED and DECLARED by the said Testatrix as and for her Last Will and Testament in the presence of Us who have in her presence and at her Request subscribed our names as WITNESSES thereto.

THE MARK OF ANN HAMMOND

(L.S.)

SAMUEL PARKES.
JOSEPH BACON.

Examined and Compared with the Original.

℘ NOAH CASAMAJOR
Reg^{r}.

BY THE MAYORS COURT AT MADRASPATNAM.

(L.S.) MAYORS COURT.

Be it known to all Men by these presents that this Eighth day of January Anno Domini 1744—45 The Will of Ann Hammond late of Fort St. George Widow deceased hereunto annex'd was exhibitted and proved before this Court and administrator of all and singular the goods Chattles and Credits to the said deceased in any wise belonging was & is hereby Committed to John Stratton Executor in the said will named being first sworn well and truely to administer the same, and to pay the Lawfull debts of the said deceased and the Legacys in the said will contained, as far as the goods Chattles and Credits of the said deceased shall extend and the Law oblige him & also to exhibit into this Court a true and perfect Inventory of all the said goods, Chattles, and Credits on or before the 8th. day of July next ensuing and to render into this Court a true and just account of all the Effects of the said deceased on or before the eighth day of January which shall be in the year of Our Lord, One thousand seven hundred and forty five Dated the day month year and place abovementioned.

SIDNEY FOXALL *Mayr.*

NOAH CASAMAJOR
Regr.

BY THE MAYORS COURT AT MADRASPATNAM.

(.S) MAYORS COURT.

BE it known to all Men by these presents that this fifteenth day of Jañry Anno Domini 1744—45 The Will of Thomas Pitt late of Upparra deceased hereunto annext was exhibitted and proved before this Court and administration of all & singular the goods Chattles and Credits to the said deceased in any wise belonging was & is hereby committed to Robert Turing Surgeon of Vizagapatam Executor in the said Will named being first sworn well and truely to administer the same, and to pay the Lawful debts of the said deceased and the Legacys in the said will contained, as far as the goods, Chattles & Credits of the said deceased shall exten'd and the Law oblige him and also to exhibit into this Court a true and perfect Inventory of all the said goods Chattles and Credits on or before the 16th. of April next ensuing and to render into this Court a true and just account of all the Effects of the said deceased on or before the sixteenth day of October which will be in the year of Our Lord, One Thousand seven hundred and forty five Dated the day Month year and place abovementioned.

SIDNEY FOXALL *Mayor.*

NOAH CASAMAJOR
Regr.

Vide Will the
16TH. OCTOBER 1744.
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THE MAYORS COURT AT MADRASPATNAM.

To Charles Savage Norris and Noah Casamajor of Fort St. George Merchants.

WHEREAS John Sheafe, Late of the place aforesaid surgeon, died there Intestate We desirous that the goods Chattles and Creditts of the said Deceased be well and truely administred and disposed of and that all the Creditts of the said deceased be Demanded and received and all his Just Debts paid as far as his goods Chattles and Credits shall Extend and the Law oblige do hereby Relying on your fidility commit to you the administration of all and singular the Goods Chattles and Credits to the said deceased in any wise belonging being first sworn well and truely to administer the same and also to Exhibit into this Court a true and perfect Inventory of all the said goods Chattles and Creditts on or before the expiration of six months from the date hereof and to Render into this Court a true and Just account of all the Effects of the said Deceased on or before twelve months from the date hereof, and [we] do by these presents appoint you administrators of all and singular the said goods Chattles and Credits Dated at Fort St. George this 31st. day of May, Anno Domini 1745.

SIDNEY FOXALL *Mayor.*

NOAH CASAMAJOR
Regr.

THE MAYORS COURT AT MADRASPATNAM.

To Charles Floyer & Thomas Cooke Junr. of Fort S^{t}. David Merchants.

WHEREAS John Graham late of the same place Merchant died there Intestate We desirous that the Goods Chattles and Credits of the said deceased be well and truely administred and disposed of and that all the Creditts of the said deceased be Demanded and received and all his Just Debts paid as far as his goods Chattles and Criditts [*sic*] shall Extend and the Law oblige do hereby Relying on your Fidelity commit to you the Administration of all and singular the Goods Chattles and Creditts to the said deceased in any wise belonging being first sworn well and truely to administer the same and also to Exhibit into this Court a true and perfect Inventory of all the said Goods Chattles and Creditts on or before six months from the date hereof and to Render into this Court a true and Just account of all the Effects of the said deceased on or before Twelve months from the date hereof and We do by these presents appoint you administrators of all and singular the said goods Chattles and Creditts Dated at Fort S^{t}. George this second day of July Anno Domini 1745.

SIDNEY FOXALL *May^{r}*.

NOAH CASAMAJOR
Reg^{r}.

IN THE NAME OF GOD, AMEN I Charles Savage Norris of Fort S^{t}. George in the East Indies Merchant, being in sound and perfect health of mind and Body, and Considering the uncertainty of the Continuance of either, do make my last Will & Testament in manner and form Following Viz^{t}.

I Resign my soul into the hands of God who gave it, and my Body to the Earth from whence it came, Trusting entirely for my salvation to the Merits of my blessed saviour Jesus Christ.

IMPRIMIS I appoint my assur'd and well beloved Friend [*sic or.*] Trustee to this my last will and Testament, requiring him to Collect in my concerns and to remit home to England, the Ballance of my Estate to my Executor Charles Savage Esqr. of London, together with all such written Books Papers of acc^{o}. and letters, as shall after my Decease be found in my appartments.

ITEMS I give and Bequeath to my Dear Father Norris one third of the produce of my Fortune.

ITEM I give and Bequeath to my Dear Mother Ellen Norris one third of the produce of my Fortune.

ITEM I give & Bequeath to my Dear Brothers Robert and John Norris the remaining third of the produce of my Fortune to be equally divided between them.

I CONSTITUTE and appoint my well belov'd uncle Charles Savage Esqr. of London sole Executor for the performance of this my Last Will and Testament DATED in FORT S^{T}. GEORGE this Twenty ninth day of December In the Year of our Lord One thousand seven hundred and Forty three.

In Witness whereof I have hereunto sett my hand and seal.

CHARLES SAVAGE NORRIS (LS)

SIGN'D & Seal'd, where no stamped Paper could be had, and acknowledg'd by the Testator to be his hand & deed in presence of us.

Examined and Compared with the Original, Registred in Fort S^{t}. George this 16th. day of July A.D. 1745.

(No Witnesses)

℘ NOAH CASAMAJOR
Reg^{r}.

THE MAYOR'S COURT AT MADRASPATNAM.

To Dawson Drake and Robert Sloper PRINCIPAL Creditors of Charles Savage Norris late of Fort St. George Merchant deceased. Whereas the said Charles Savage Norris lately deceased did whilst Living make his Last Will & Testament hereunto annexed, and did therein nominate and appoint Charles Savage Esqr. of London his sole Executor for the performance of his said will and Testament.

(L.S.) MAYORS COURT.

WE desirous that the Goods Chattles and Credits of the said Deceased be Well and truely administered and disposed of and that all the Credits of the said deceased be demanded and received and all his Just Debts paid as far as his Goods Chattles and Credits shall Extend and the Law oblige do hereby Relying on your Fidelity commit to you the Administration of all and singular the goods Chattles and Credits to the said deceased in any wise belonging being first sworn well and truely to administer the same and also To Exhibit into this Court a true and perfect Inventory of all the said Goods Chattles and Credits on or before six months from the date hereof and to render into this Court a true and Just account of all the Effects of the said deceased on or before Twelve months from the date hereof And We do by these presents appoint you Administrators of all and singular the said Goods Chattles and Credits for the use and benefit of the said Charles Savage of London Esqr. Executor named in the said will and until the said Executor shall appear by himself or some person properly authorized by him and pray Probat thereof Dated In Fort St. George this sixteenth day of July Anno Domini 1745.

SIDNEY FOXALL *Mayor*.

NOAH CASAMAJOR
Regr.

THE MAYORS COURT AT MADRASPATNAM.

To SIDNEY FOXALL of Fort St. George Esqr. (nearest Relation of James Morford late of the place aforesaid Merchant deceased) send greeting, WHEREAS the said James Morford died lately there Intestate.

(L.S.) MAYORS COURT.

WE desirous that the Goods Chattles and Credits of the said Deceased be well and truely Administered and disposd of and that all the Credits of the said Deceased be demanded and received and all his Just Debts paid as far as his Goods Chattles and Credits shall Extend and the Law oblige do hereby Relying on your Fedility [*sic*] commit to you the Administration of all & singular the Goods Chattles and Credits to the said deceased in any wise belonging being first sworn well and truely to Administer the same and also to Exhibit into this Court a true and perfect Inventory of all the said Goods Chattles and Credits on or before six months from the date hereof And to render into this Court a true and Just account of all the Effects of the said deceased on or before twelve months from the date hereof And We do by these presents Appoint you Administrator of all and singular the said Goods Chattles and Credits Dated at Fort St. George this third day of September Anno Domini 1745.

S. GREENHAUGH
Snr. Alderman.

NOAH CASAMAJOR
Regr.

THE MAYORS COURT AT MADRASPATNAM.

To JOHN HINDE of Fort St. David Esqr., Friend to Peter Delcambro, late of the place aforesaid, deceased, send Greeting WHEREAS the said Peter Delcambro died lately there Intestate.

WE desirous that the Goods Chattles and Credits of the said Deceased be well and truely Administered and dispos'd of and that all the Credits of the said deceased be demanded and Received and all his Just Debts paid as far as his Goods Chattles and Credits shall Extend and the Law oblige do hereby Relying on your Fedility [*sic*]

Commit to you the administration of all and singular the Goods Chattles and Credits to the s[d]. deceased in any wise belonging being first sworn well and truely to administer the same and also to Exhibit into this Court a true and perfect Inventory of all the said Goods Chattles and Credits on or before the tenth day of March next ensuing and to render into this Court a true and Just account of all the Effects of the said Deceased on or before the tenth day of September which will be in the year of our Lord 1746, And We do by these presents appoint you administrator of all and singular the said Goods Chattles and Credits Dated at Fort S[t]. George this tenth day of Septem[r]. Anno Domini 1745.

SIDNEY FOXALL *May[r]*.

NOAH CASAMAJOR
Reg[r].

I James Feilde of Fort S[t]. George in the East Indies being in Health & of sound and disposing Mind Memory & Understanding yet considering the uncertainty of Life do make and publish this my last Will and Testament in manner following and as to such Worldly Estate wherewith it hath pleased God to entrust me I dispose thereof as follows. First I Will Desire that all my just Debts may be truly paid. Item I give and bequeath unto my dear Mother Martha Feilde the sum of four hundred Pounds and to my sister Mary now the Wife of George Harrison Esquire the sum of twenty pounds and to the said M[r]. George Harrison the like sum of twenty pounds and to my sister Catherine Feilde the sum of three hundred and sixty pounds —and to my Eldest Brother William Feilde Esquire the sum of six hundred Pounds and to my Brother Paul Feilde Esquire the like sum of six hundred pounds—and as to all the rest & residue of my Estate of what nature or Kind so ever the same be I give & bequeath the same after payment of my Debts Legacies and Funeral Expences unto my said Brothers William Feilde & Paul Feilde to be equally divided between them—and I do Nominate & appoint my said Brother William Feilde Esquire and William Johnson Esquire Counsellor at Fort Saint George in y[e]. East Indies, and in case of the Death or Absence of the latter, John Savage Esquire Counsellor at the aforesaid Fort S[t]. George to be the Executors of this my will and lastly I do revoke and make void all former Wills by me at any time heretofore made and do declare this paper Writing to be and contain my last Will and Testament. IN WITNESS whereof I have hereunto and to a Triplicate hereof set my hand and seal this fifteenth Day of February one Thousand seven hundred & forty four.

JAMES FEILDE (LS).

Signed Sealed and published by the said James Feilde as and for his last Will and Testament in the presence of

SAMUEL PARKES.
JOHN SHEAFE.

Examined & Compared with the Original.

NOAH CASAMAJOR
Reg[r].

BY THE MAYORS COURT AT MADRASPATNAM.

BE it known to all Men by these presents that this third day of October Anno Domini 1745 The Will of James Feilde late of Fort S[t]. George in the East Indies Clerk deceased hereunto annext was exhibitted and proved before this Court and administration of all and singular the goods Chattles and Credits to the said deceased in any wise belonging was & is hereby Committed to William Johnson of the Place aforesaid Esquire one of the Executors in the said Will named being first sworn well and truely to administer the same, and to pay the Lawful debts of the said deceased and the Legacys in the said Will contained, as far as the goods Chattles and Credits of the said deceased shall Extend and the Law oblige him and also to Exhibit into this Court a true and perfect Inventory of all the said Goods Chattles

and Credits on or before One year from the date hereof and to render into this Court a true and Just account of all the Effects of the said deceased on or before the third day of October which will be in the Year of our Lord One thousand seven hundred and forty seven, reserving power of granting the like administration to William Feilde Esquire when he comes to pray the same Dated the day month year & place abovementioned.

SIDNEY FOXALL *Mayor.*

NOAH CASAMAJOR
Regr.

IN THE NAME OF GOD AMEN I, RANDALL FOWKE OF FORT ST. GEORGE ON THE COAST OF CHORAMANDELL being at this present Writeing in a good state of health, with perfect mind and memory after giving my most humble, and hearty thanks to almighty God for the Enjoyment of the same; hopeing forgiveness of all my sins comitted against his Divine Majesty and the Errors of my Life past, and Redemption from the punishment due to them thrô the sufferings merits and mediation of my Blessed Lord and saviour JESUS CHRIST I now by his Grace call to mind the certainty of Death and the uncertain Time of it's approach for which reason, I do think it necessary to make my Last Will and Testament; And do now make it in manner and form following IN the first place, I will I Order, and do Direct, that all my Funeral Charges, just and Lawfull Debts and what Legacys and Bequests herein after mention'd be duly Discharged, and satisfied for the due performance of all which, and what more thing or things I shall or may hereafter think fit and proper to appoint and have done or Will Order or Direct, I do hereby Nominate, Ordain and Constitute my dear and Well beloved sons EDWARD FOWKE, JOSEPH FOWKE, and FRANCIS FOWKE Lawfull Executors to this my Last Will, and Testament Enjoining them strictly as it is their Duty to fulfill it in every article. *Imprimis* I do Give and Bequeath to my Beloved Cozen MARTHA ROGERS in Cork in Ireland, if alive one Year after my Decease, the sum of Thirty Pounds sterling but if she should be Defunct before the remittance of the said sum can reach her, I then and in such Case Will and Direct, that it Devolve to my Estate, and be accounted as part thereof. Item I Will and Bequeath to my very Loveing Friend the reverend Doctr. Charles Long Minister of Cheiveley in Berkshire the sum of Fifty Pounds sterling. and to his Wife Elizabeth, Twenty pounds sterling. ITEM I Give and Bequeath to Mrs. Hannah Greenhaugh the sum of Thirty pagodas for Mourning. Item I Give and Bequeath to my friend Mr. Thomas Cooke the sum of One Hundred pagodas and to his Wife Mrs. Grace Cook the sum of Thirty Pagodas for mourning. ITEM I do Give and Bequeath to my son in law Capt. John Holland and to my Daughter Sophia his wife, and to their son Richard Holland to each of them the sum of One Hundred Pagodas. ITEM I do Give and Bequeath unto Mary Flora Daughter of Maria Flora deceas'd the small house situate in the Pedda Nagues Petta in the Oilmaker's street, which I bought of Villante Harris as ℘ Bill of Sale Register'd bearing Date Janry. the 5th. 1738 doth more fully appear—I also Give and Bequeath to the said Mary Flora the sum of Five Hundred Pagodas to be pay'd unto her at the age of Twenty One years; (she being Born the 6th. day of February anno 1736/7) or the day of her marriage which shall first happen provided she spontaneously Embrace and profess the protestant Religion and continue in the same if otherwise, I do hereby Bequeath unto her no more than the sum of One hundred Pagodas. MOREOVER Dureing the time ere she arrives at the age of Twenty One Years, or the day of Marriage, I Will I order and do Direct that the sum of Five Pagodas be duly pay'd her the first day of every month after my Decease, for her Cloathing and subsistance: also the further sum of Five Pagodas ℘ Month for her schooling and Education and for the due performing fulfilling and Discharging this Bequest now mentioned, I Will I order and do Direct that such a sufficient part of my Estate either in houses, Money, or other Effects shall be kept seperate, Deposited and secured in such manner as may be lawfully judged most proper on such occasion, or for such use and Behoof as of the said Mary Flora. MOREOVER for the due Executing of this part of my Last Will and Testament I do Desire and Charge my Dealy beloved sons and Executors aforenamed dureing her Orphan, or unmarry'd state to inquire and Examin

frequently the person or persons who have or may have the Care of the said Mary Flora whether the said Monthly allowances be duly appropriated to the uses aforesaid and as Design'd; which, hope will be with all humanity and Charity, be Considered as reasonable. But in Case it should please God to take her out of this Life before the age of Twenty One Years or the Day of Marriage, My Will is and I do hereby order that the said Monthly allowances shall then Cease, and what I have herein bequeath'd her Devolve to my Estate and be accounted as firm part thereof to be distributed and Dispos'd of in the same manner. ITEM I do Give and Bequeath unto my slave Wench named Minga the sum of Twenty Pagodas and her Liberty and to her son Antonio the sum of Forty Pagodas and to all her children Males and Females their Liberty. ITEM I do Give and Bequeath to my slave Wench named Francisca the sum of Twenty pagodas and her Liberty; also to all her Children their Liberty, Item I do Give, and Bequeath to my son Edward Fowke my slave Boy Named Placebo and to all the rest of my slaves whether male or Females; I do hereby Give them their Freedom and Liberty, No person whatsoever haveing any Claim or Title to any of them, nor shall hereafter have by Virtue of this my Last Will and Testament. I also Give and Bequeath to my former slave Wench named MAGDELANA in regard that she hath serv'd my Wife and self many years the sum of Twenty Pagodas. ITEM I do give and Bequeath to Peter Blacknall Watchmaker in London the sum of Thirty pounds sterl^{g}. AND WHEREAS I have Given all my Children the sum of One Thousand pagodas each for the small presents made to them by their God fathers or God Mothers at their Baptism to make them equal in ther [*sic*] Fortunes But to my Daughter Sophia Holland, I Gave her Five Hundred Pagodas more at her marriage, also Five hundred more to each of my sons Edward Joseph and Francis: so That I have hitherto made an equal Distribution of what part of my Estate I can spare them in my Life time. I do therefore Will Order and Direct that after my Funeral Charges, and Lawfull Debts are Discharg'd; also the Legacys and Bequests herein mention'd, I WILL I Order and do Direct that the Residue or remaining part of my Estate both real and personal be equally Divided among my Four Children, namely my sons Edward, Joseph, and Francis Fowke whom I have appointed Executors to this my Last Will and Testament as afores^{d}. together and my aforenam'd Daughter Sophia and her Lawfull Issue, I do further Will Order and hereby Direct that all my Houses, House furniture silver and Gold plate Jewels Goods and all things that it hath pleas'd God to Bless one with at my Departure from this Life be fairly sold at auction or publick outcry and the nett Fourth part thereof I do hereby Leave and Bequeath to each of my Four Well beloved Children aforenamed. Upon the sale of my houses, I would enjoin them as well as advise them to prevent any future Disputes, or Quarrels, or Law suits to be very carefull and Exact in the measuring of the Grounds and Walls to be mention'd in the Bills of Sale to whom they must belong; which, in my Opinion the most Friendly, and Neighbourly way would be to make them all party-Walls, that is to say, and my meaning is, The Walls that part 'em to belong to One house as well as to that adjoining; This I only mention by way of advice But this particular I leave to their own discretion Only I would further advise êm to mention this in the Titles or Bills of Sale that neither party shall have the priviledge or power to strike out any sort of Lights, or break down such party Walls without the mutual consent given by Each other in Writeing, which is the thing I would do myself was. I to Dispose of, or sell them in my Life time I do further Will and Direct that whatsoever person or persons of my Legatees herein named shall Dye before his, her's or their Legacys are made payable by Virtue of this my Last Will and Testament it shall be Lawfull for my said Executors to bring the same to the Credit of my Estate and be accounted part thereof: The same I do say and Direct by and of the shares belonging to my Four Children herein aforenamed; that is to say whatsoever person or persons of them shall depart this Life before the Distribution of their shares as aforesaid that share or shares shall by Virtue hereof devolve to the surviveing or remaining person or persons of them in Equal shares, and to his, her's, or their Lawfully Issue—So haveing thus Disposed of all my Temporal Blessings I recomend my Dear Children to the Favour and Blessing of God whom I Beseech in his due time to send us all a Blessed Departure; and afterward, a joyfull Resurrection both of Soul and Body unto Life Eternal ALL the foregoing being Wrote with my own hand, and upon these Three sides of Paper, which I do

hereby ratifie, allow, and confirm to be my Last Will and Testament hereby revoking and annuling all other Will or Wills that might have been by me formerly made, and this only to be regarded and fulfill'd to which I have set my hand and affix'd my seal on the Fourth side of this sheet of Paper in Fort St. George in this City of MADRASSAPATNAM this Fourth Day of July One Thousand Seven Hundred and Forty Five.

RANDALL FOWKE (LS)

SIGN'D & SEALED PUBLISHED and Declared by the Testator to be his Last Will and Testament in the presence of us and by us sign'd in the presence of the Testator and of each other, where no stamp't paper is procurable.

JOHN SAUNDERS.
CHAS : BODDAM.
GEORGE PIGOT.

Examined & Compared with the Original.
NOAH CASAMAJOR
Regr.

WHEREAS I RANDALL FOWKE of Fort St. George haveing made and closed my Last Will and Testament bearing Date [*lacuna*] day of [*lacuna*] One Thousand seven Hundred Forty Five, which Will is Written and signd with my own hand, and seal'd with my seal, but haveing since consider'd of some things which I would have therein mentioned and amended, I now, in order to rectifie, and have the same done and perform'd after my Decease by my Executors therein named and appointed I think it necessary to make this as a Codicil to my said Last Will, By Virtue hereof I do leave and Bequeath to my Grandson Richard Holland the sum of One Hundred Pagodas more than what mentiond in the said Will and to my Grandson John Hollond Junr. the sum of Two Hundred pagodas; and to the Child of which my Daughter Sophia Hollond is now Impregnated whether Male or Female, the sum of Two Hundred pagodas These Three Bequests or Legacys I Will and Direct be Lodg'd in the Church Stock at such Interest as it allows other Orphans, or in such a Fund or at Land Interest as my said Executors shall think most for the said Children's advantage, and because my said Executors shall not be accountable hereafter to any person whatsoever for what they shall transact in the placeing and Employing the children's Legacys as aforesaid I do hereby Give and Bequeath to them the sum of six Hundred pagodas in Trust only and for the uses and Benefit of my Grand children as aforesaid, and in case of the Death of any of my said Grand-Children I will and Direct his, her's, or thier share shall devolve to the surviveing person or persons of them payable at, or before Twenty one years or the Day of Marriage which shall first happen—AND WHEREAS in my aforesaid Will and Testament I order'd and Directed that Mary Flora should have an allowance of Ten pagodas ℔ month out of my Estate for her schooling and subsistance, I do hereby Will and Direct that only the sum of Eight pagodas ℔ month be allow'd for that use to defray wch. charge I leave it to the Discretion of my Executors intirely either to Deposit an adequate sum in the Church stock which shall produce the Interest of Ninety six pagodas ℔ annum or place the same in any other hand which they shall think more secure, or necessary one of my houses the rent of which amounting to the said sum, may be appropriated that End, intending hereby to leave it wholly and solely to the management of my aforesaid Executors to act as their Judgment shall think best for the Interest and security of the said Mary Flora and at the same time I think fit to Declare that they shall be responsible for no part of their Executorship by which means I intend and Design that they shall be liable to no Vexatious Lawsuits which may hereafter be rais'd against them. Confirming by these presents their acts and Deeds, as full and in the same Force as if they were my own when Liveing being fully persuaded of the value they set upon their own honour and the Last Comands

of their Father and the other parts of the said Will I do hereby again rectifie and confirm IN WITNESS whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this fourth Day of July Anno Dom 1745.

RANDALL FOWKE (LS)

SIGN'D and sealed, publishd and Declard by the Testator to be a Codicil to his Last Will and Testament in the presence of us.

JOHN SAUNDERS.
CHAS : BODDAM.
GEORGE PIGOT.

Examined and compared with the Original.

℔ NOAH CASAMAJOR
Regr.

BY THE MAYOR'S COURT AT MADRASPATNAM.

BE it known to all Men by these presents that this third day of October Anno Domini 1745 The Will of Randall Fowke late of Fort St. George Merchant deceased and Codicil hereunto annext was Exhibited and proved before this Court and administration of all & singular the Goods Chattles & Credits to the said deceased in any wise belonging was & is hereby committed to Edward Fowke and Joseph Fowke two of the Executors in the said Will named being first sworn well and truely to administer the same, and to pay the Lawful debts of the said deceased and the Legacys in the said will contained, as far as the Goods Chattles and Credits of the said deceased shall extend and the Law oblige them, and also to Exhibit into this Court a true and perfect Inventory of all the said goods Chattles and Credits on or before One Year from the date hereof and to render into this Court a true and just account of all the effects of the said deceased on or before the third day of October which will be in the year of our Lord One thousand seven hundred and forty seven. Reserving power of granting the Like administration to Francis Fowke, Executor therein also named, when he shall come and pray the same Dated the day month year and place abovementioned.

SIDNEY FOXALL *Mayor.*

NOAH CASAMAJOR
Regr.

THE MAYORS COURT AT MADRASPATNAM.

To CHARLES HOPKINS (One of the Heirs to the Estate of Ann Hammond decd.— Principal Creditor to Catharine Gifford late of Fort St. George Widow deceased) of the place aforesaid send Greeting WHEREAS the said Catharine Gifford died lately there Intestate.

WE desirous that the Goods Chattles and Credits of the said deceased be well and truely Administered and dispos'd of and that all the Credits of the said deceased be demanded and Received and all her Just Debts paid as far as her goods Chattles and Credits shall Extend and the Law oblige do hereby Relying on Your Fidelity commit to you the administration of all and singular the Goods Chattles and Credits to the said deceased in any wise belonging being first sworn well and truely to administer the same and also to Exhibit into this Court a true and perfect Inventory of all the said Goods Chattles and Credits on or before six Months from the date hereof and to render into this Court a true and just account of all the Effects of the said deceased on or before Twelve months from the date hereof And We do by these presents appoint you administrator of all and singular the said Goods Chattles and Credits Dated at Fort St. George this 22d. day of October Anno Domini 1745.

SIDNEY FOXALL *Mayor.*

NOAH CASAMAJOR
Regr.

Dr.

Mr. Carl Lundberg Deceased.

	Pags.	fans.	Cs.
Nine days sick of a violend, [*sic*] Paid for Medicines and Doctor	3	32	—
Funeral Charges for the Gunroom Pople [*sic*] and Bearers attending the Corpse, Batavia Arak for them 3 gallons	2	—	—
Three Bottels of Wine for Gentlemen	—	24	—
To Sugar and Limes	—	6	—
To 3 peices of Cloth for the Bearers to lett the Coffin down	1	3	—
To incense and Candels	—	16	—
To Nutmeg, Black silk, Black ribband 1 yard Tolling the Bell and making the grave	2	4	20
To Casch pay'd for Coffing	3	—	—
To 19 days diet	3	6	—
To Casch lent for Wyne 7 bottels	1	16	—
Do. Do. for 4½ gallon Batavia Arrak	3	—	—
To Sweetmeats of Different sorts	1	20	—
To the Wascherman payd	—	8	—
To sugar Limes and Nutmeg	—	10	—
To his Dubaash Malipa payd contant	—	18	—
To Mr. Francklin payd 2½ ꝑ cto. Commission of Sell in Mr. Charles effects ꝑ publc. outCry	—	27	—
To the Croyer James Wilmoth	—	18	—
Pagodas ..	24	18	20

Errores Except.

Johan Jacob I'vnck.

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Account Sale of the Effects of Mr. Carl Lundberg Deceased, done ꝑ publick out Croy ꝑ Mr. Francklin Madrasty 18 of October 1745.

		Pags.	fans.	Cs.
Mr. Jno. Campbell ..	One read Duray Coath and Britsches	3	18	—
Do. ..	One ould Wick	—	31	—
Mr. Funok	One Heath	1	4	—
Jams. Wilmoth ..	One ould do.	—	3	—
Do. ..	Eightpair Nierve and old stokking	—	22	—
Mr. Francklin	Three shirts and 10 stocks ..	—	26	—
Jams. Wilmoth ..	One Weith West Coath and 1 pair ould Draws	—	2	—
Michl. Dennewald ..	A Remains of Cambrick ..	1	4	—
Sacha	One ould Blew West Coath ..	—	6	—
Michl. Denne Wald ..	One ould Coath and do. 2 pair ould Britches	—	18	—
Manl. Ignatia	One pair shone, knie bukkels koper	—	15	—
Tubal Montain ..	One silver stock bukkel ..	—	30	—
Mr. Funck	One silver Watsch	14	18	—
Joseph Williams ..	Two pair schoonen	—	2	—
Mr. Francklin	Three dosyn. great and Two dosyn small ould gold Buttons.	1	1	—
	Pagodas ..	25	10	—

Errores Except.

[...Won Francken]

Jur. in Cur
29th. Octr. 1745.

Of his Linnen expendet in the Coffin.
1 Niewe schirts for a Pillow Case and Cap.
1 do. do. for a pair of Long Draw's.
1 do. do. and a pair of niewe stocking for the Boddy The two soldiers which on drest him. wascht his Boddy laying in the Coffin for there Trouble as, usual.
1 new schirts 1 caps 1 pair stockings 1 read Britches 1 pair koper schirts Bottons.
1 Handkerchief, 1 Benjan Coath,

Examined & Compared wth. the Original this 29th. October 1745.

ꝑ Noah Casamajor
... *Regr.*

THE MAYORS COURT AT MADRASPATNAM.

TO MARTHA DE VEILL of Fort St. George widow and Heiress at Law to Henry De Veil late of the place aforesaid Attorney deceased send Greeting Whereas the said Henry De Veil died there lately Intestate We desirous that the Goods Chattels and Credits of the said deceased be well and truly administred and disposed of and that the Credits of the said deceased be demanded and Received and all his just Debts paid as far as his Goods Chattells and Credits shall extend and the Law oblige do hereby relying on your fidelity commit to you the administration of all and singular the Goods Chattells and Credits to the said deceased in any wise belonging being first sworn well and truly to administer the same and also to Exhibit into this Court a true and perfect Inventory of all the said Goods Chattells and Credits on or before the fifth day May next ensuing and to render into this Court a true and just account of all the Effects of the said deceased on or before the fifth day of Nove'r wch. will be in the Year of our Lord 1746 and We do by these presents appoint you administratrix of all and singular the said Goods Chattells and Credits Dated at Fort S^t^. George this fifth day of November Anno Domini 1745.

SIDNEY FOXALL *Mayor.*

NOAH CASAMAJOR
Reg^r^.

THIS INDENTURE TRIPARTITE made the tenth day of December in the Eighteenth year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord George the Second by the Grace of God of Great Britain France & Ireland King Defender of the Faith and in the year of our Lord One thousand seven hundred and forty four BETWEEN Benjamin Webster of London Marines Commander of the Good Ship or Vessell called the Admiral Vernon of the Burthen of Four hundred and ninety Tons or thereabouts now in the River of Thames and bound on a voyage to the East Indies China Persia or elsewhere beyond the Cape of Good Hope and last into the said River of Thames (in the service of the East India Company) of the first part Edmund Cooke of London Mariner Chief mate of the said ship of the second part and Thomas Webster of London Mariner second Mate of the said ship of the third part WHEREAS each of the said Parties have severally bought and purchased several Goods Wares Merchandizes and Effects and have loaden the same upon their own seperate accounts on board the said vessel for the said Voyage AND WHEREAS the said Benjamin Webster hath agreed (in case of the decease of either of them the said Edmund Cooke and Thomas Webster during the said Voyage and before the said ship shall return and make sail for the part of London) that he will to the utmost of his Power skill & knowledge Barter sell exchange and dispose of all such Goods Merchandizes and Effects as they or any of them shall have or carry with them on board the said ship for the said Voyage for the most profit and advantage that he may or can, And the said Edmund Cooke and Thomas Webster have agreed with the said Benjamin Webster in Case of his decease during the said Voyage and before the said ship shall return and make sail for the port of London to Bater [*sic*] sell exchange and dispose of all such Goods Merchandizes commodities and Effects which he the said Benjamin Webster shall load stow and carry out with him in the said ship, in such manner as is hereafter mentioned and expressed Now THIS INDENTURE WITNESSETH that the said Benjamin Webster in pursuance of this agreement doth hereby for himself his Extors and Admors covenant promise and agree to and with the said Edmund Cooke and Thomas Webster and each of them and each of their Extors Admors and Assigns that in case of the decease of either of them the said Edmund Cooke and Thomas Webster during the said Voyage he the said Benjamin Webster shall and will take possession of all and every the Goods Wares Merchandizes Wearing apparell stores and effects or what shall be remaining of the Goods Merchandizes and Effects shipp'd as aforesaid and belonging to the deceased whether the same shall be on board or on shore and the same Barter sell, exchange dispose of and Invest in other goods Merchandizes and Effects to the use and benefit of the Extors and Admors of the deceased and for the most profit and advantage that he may or can and bring home the returns and produce thereof in the said ship & commission free the

dangers and casualties of the seas excepted (which they the said Edmund Cooke and Thomas Webster in Case of either of their deceases) do hereby authorize and impower the said Benjamin Webster to do accordingly And the said Edmund Cooke and Thomas Webster in pursuance of the aforesaid agreement do hereby for themselves severally and respectively and for their several and respective Extors and Admors and not one for the other of them or for the Extors or Admors of the other of them covenant promise and agree to and with the said Benjamin Webster his Extors and Admors and Assigns That in Case of the decease of the said Benjamin Webster at any time before the said ship shall return for the East Indies and make sail for the Port of London they the said Edmund Cooke & Thomas Webster or the survivor of them shall and will take into their or his possession all and every the Goods Wares Merchandizes wearing apparell stores and Effects of him the said Benjamin Webster whether the same shall be on board or on shore and the same or so much of them as shall be remaining unsold Bartered exchanged and invested by the said Benjamin Webster Barter sell exchange dispose of and invest in other Goods and Merchandizes such as the East India Company allow the East India Commander in their Employments to bring home on their own accounts and load and stow the same in his the said Benjamin Webster's Priviledge of Portage or Carriage of his Goods and Merchandizes in the said ship and not take any advantage (in case of his decease) of any Priviledge or Allowance which the said Benjamin Webster a commander of the said ship is allowed by the East India Company or the Owners of the said ship and bring home the return and produce thereof in the said ship (Commission free the dangers of the seas excepted) which he the said Benjamin Webster (in case of his decease as aforesaid) doth hereby authorize and Impower the said Edmund Cooke and Thomas Webster and the survivor of them to do accordingly And it is hereby further mutually covenanted and agreed by and between the said Edmund Cooke and Thomas Webster for themselves their Extors Admors & assigns that if either of them shall happen to dye during the said voyage and before the said ship shall return and make sail for the Port of London, that the said survivor of them shall and will (if the said Benjamin Webster be then dead) not only take into their possession and dispose of the said Benjamin Webster's Goods Wares Merchandizes wearing apparell stores and Effects in manner as aforesaid, but also take into their or his possession the Goods Wares Merchandizes Wearing apparell stores and Effects of him that shall so first dye and Barter sell and dispose thereof in like manner as the said Benjamin Webster hath agreed with them to do and bring home the return and produce thereof in the said Ship (Commission free) the dangers of the seas excepted (which they the said Edmund Cooke and Thomas Webster do hereby order impower and appoint the survivor of them to do accordingly And Further it is agreed by and between the said Parties to these presents that in case of the Decease of either of them during the said voyage the survivors or survivor of them shall and will be just true and faithfull in the Transaction & management of the affairs and Business of the deceased and at the return of the said Vessell in the said River of Thames from the said voyage, Render just true and perfect accounts in writing and upon oath if required of all such Goods Wares Merchandize Commodities wearing apparell stores and Effects belonging to the deceased as shall come into their or his possession & shall be by them or him Bartered sold disposed of & Invested in other Goods Wares Merchandizes Effects as aforesaid together with all the deceased's Books writings memorandums & accounts touching or concerning the same that he was possessed of at the time of his decease to the Extors Admors or Assigns of the Deceased when they or he shall be thereunto requested or desired And for the true performance of all and every the Covenants and agreements herein contained on the part and behalf of the said Benjamin Webster to be done and performed the said Benjamin Webster bindeth and obligeth himself his Extors Admors & Assigns to the said Edmund Cooke and Thomas Webster & each of them severally and respectively their & each of their severall & respective Extors Admors & Assigns in the penal sum of Three thousand pounds of Lawfull money of Great Britain firmly by these presents And for the true performance of all and every the Covenants and Agreements herein contained on the part & behalf of the said Edmund Cooke to be done & performed the said Edmund Cooke bindeth and obligeth himself

his Extors Admors & Assigns unto the said Benjamin Webster & Thomas Webster and each of them severally & respectively their & each of their severall & respective Extors Admors & Assigns in the penal sum of Three thousand pounds of like lawfull money firmly by these presents. AND for the true performance of all & every the Covenants & Agreements herein contained on the part & behalf of the said Thomas Webster to be done & performed The said Thomas Webster bindeth & obligeth himself his Extors Admors & Assigns unto the said Benjamin Webster & Edmund Cooke & each of them severally & respectively their & each of their severall & respective Extors Admors & Assigns in the like penal sum of Three thousand pounds of like money firmly by these presents. IN WITNESS whereof the said parties to these presents indented have Interchangeably set their hands & seals the day & year first above written.

BENJA. (LS) WEBSTER. EDMUND (LS) COOKE. THOMAS (LS) WEBSTER.

Sealed and Delivered (being duly stampt) in the presence of us, by all the parties within named.

JOHN VAUGHAN Lombard Street.
JOHN VAUGHAN *Junr*.

Agreement to care of one Anothers Effects in case of Mortallity.
Between

Capt. Benja. Webster
Mr. Edmund Cooke &
Mr. Thos. Webster
} Dat: 10th. Decr. 1744.

Examined & Compared with the Original.

℘ NOAH CASAMAJOR
Regr.

MAYORS COURT AT MADRASPATNAM.

THESE are to certify to whom it may concern that on this 24th. day of December 1745 The parchment Writing hereunto annext bearing date the 10th. Day of December 1744 purporting to be an Indenture Tripartite Between Benjamin Webster late Commander of the ship Admiral Vernon in the service of the United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies, decd Edmund Cooke Chief Mate and Thomas Webster second Mate of the said ship, to take care of One anothers Effects in Case of Mortality was exhibited and read in this Court, and the hand writing of the said Edmund Cooke & Thos. Webster proved by their own oaths and the hand writing of the said Benjamin Webster was also proved by the Oaths of John Love and Benjamin Seymour both belonging to the said ship persons who have often seen the said Benjamin Webster write and are well acquainted with his Character and manner of his hand writing as Witness my hand.

JOSEPH FOWKE *Mayor*.

NOAH CASAMAJOR *Regr*:

THE MAYORS COURT AT MADRASPATNAM.

To EDMUND COOKE and Thomas Webster of London now residing at Fort St. George Mariners friends to Benjamin Webster late Commander of the ship admiral Vernon in the service of the United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies, deceased, send Greeting, WHEREAS the said Benjamin Webster dyed there lately intestate. We desirous that the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said deceased be well and truly administred and disposed of and that the Credits of the said deceased be demanded and received and all his just Debts paid as far

as his Goods Chattells and Credits shall extend and the Law oblige do hereby relying on your fidelity commit to you the administration of all and singular the Goods Chattells and Credits to the said deceased in any wise belonging being first sworn well and truly to administer the same and also to Exhibit a true and perfect Inventory of all the said Goods Chattells and Credits and to render a true and just account of all the Effects of the said deceased at your arrival in England unto the Executors administratiors or assigns of the said deceased and we do by these presents appoint you administrators of all and singular the said Goods Chattells and Credits Dated at Fort St. George this 24th. day of December Anno Domini 1745.

JOSEPH FOWKE *Mayor.*

NOAH CASAMAJOR *Regr*:

IN THE NAME OF GOD AMEN I William Forbes Serjeant in the Honourable Colonel Duncombs Regiment of Marines, and now on board His Majestys ship the Preston the Right Honourable the Earl of Northish Commander Being in bodily health and of sound and disposing mind and memory and Considering the Perils and Dangers of the seas and other uncertaintys of this transitory life (Do for avoiding Controversies after my Decease) make Publish and Declare this my last will and Testament in manner following (that is to say) First I recommend my soul to God that gave it and my body I commit to the Earth or sea as it shall please God to order and as for and concerning all my worldly Estate I Give Bequeath and dispose thereof as followeth That is to say all my Pay, Prize money, short allowance money, with all other summ and summs of money Lands Tenements Goods Chattels and Estate Whatsoever as shall be any ways owing or belonging to me at the time of my decease. I Do Give Devise and Bequeath the same unto my trusty friend Alexander Broadie of the shire of Nairne in North Britain, now belonging to His Majestys ship Deptford. AND I do hereby nominate and appoint the said Alexander Broadie the sole Executor of this my last Will and Testament hereby Revoking all former & other wills Testaments and Deeds of Gift by me heretofore at any time made and I do ordain and Ratify these presents to stand and be for and as my only last will and Testament IN WITNESS whereof to this my said Will I have set my hand and seal the Twenty-second day of December 1744 and in the Eighteenth year of the Reign of His Majesty King George the Second over Great Britain &.

WILLIAM FORBES (LS).

SIGNED Sealed Published and Declared in the presence of us.

John Dalton *Lieutenant.*
John Runsiman *schoolmaster.*
James Maxwell *Midshipman.*

Examined & Compared with the Original.

℘ NOAH CASAMAJOR
Regr.

BY THE MAYORS COURT AT MADRASPATNAM.

BE it known to all Men by these presents that this one and twentieth day of January Anno Domini 1745 The Will of William Forbes late Serjeant in the Honourable Colonel Duncombs Regiment of Marines, on board his Majestys ship Preston the Right Honourable the Earl of Northesh Commander Lately Deceased hereunto annext was exhibited and proved before this Court and administration of all and singular the Goods Chattles and Credits to the said Deceased in any wise belonging was and is hereby Committed to Alexander Broadie of the shire of Nairne in North Britain lately belonging to His Majestys ship Deptford, and now belonging to his Majestys ship Harwich Executor in the said Will named being first sworn well and truely to administer the same and to pay the Lawfull Debts of the said Deceased and the Legacys in the said Will contained as far as the goods Chattles and Credits

of the said Deceased shall Extend and the Law oblige him and also to exhibit into this Court a true and perfect Inventory of all the said goods Chattles and Credits on or before six Months from the date hereof and to Render into this Court a true and just account of all the Effects of the said Deceased on or before twelve months from the date hereof, if the said Executor shall then be within the jurisdiction of this Court Dated the day month year and place abovementioned. **(L.S.) MAYORS COURT.**

SIDNEY FOXALL SEN^{R}. *Ald^{r}* :

NOAH CASAMAJOR *Reg^{r}*.

THE MAYORS COURT AT MADRASPATNAM.

To Stephen Lightfoot (Principal Creditor of the Estate of Thomas Gage late of Fort S^{t}. George Deceased) of Madras Surgeon send Greeting, WHEREAS the said Thomas Gage died lately there Intestate. WE desirous that the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said deceased be Well and truly administred and disposed of and that the Credits of the said deceased be demanded and received and all his just Debts paid as far as his Goods Chattells and Credits shall extend and the Law oblige do hereby relying on your fidelity commit to you the administration of all and singular the Goods Chattells and Credits to the said deceased in any wise belonging being first sworn well and truely to administer the same and also to exhibit into this Court a true and perfect Inventory of all the said Goods Chattells and Credits on or before six months from the date hereof and to render into this Court a true and just account of all the Effects of the said deceased on or before Twelve months from the date hereof and we do by these presents appoint you administrator of all and singular the said Goods Chattells and Credits Dated at Fort S^{t}. George this 8th. day of April Anno Domini 1746.

JOSEPH FOWKE *May^{r}*.

NOAH CASAMAJOR *Reg^{r}*.

THE MAYORS COURT AT MADRASPATNAM.

To John Zachariah Kiernander of Fort S^{t}. David Clerk (Son in Law to Grace Saunders of the place aforesaid late Widow deceased, Send Greeting, WHEREAS the said Grace Saunders died lately there Intestate. We desirous that the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said deceased be well and truly administred and disposed of and that the Credits of the said deceased be demanded and received and all her just Debts paid as far as her Goods Chattells and Credits shall extend and the Law oblige do hereby relying on your fidelity commit to you the administration of all and singular the Goods Chattells and Credits to the said deceased in any wise belonging being first sworn well and truly to administer the same and also to Exhibit into this Court a true and perfect Inventory of all the said Goods Chattells and Credits on or before the 6th. day of November next insuing and to render into this Court a true and just account of all the Effects of the said deceased on or before the 6th. day of May which will be in the year of Our Lord 1747 and we do by these presents appoint you administrator of all and singular the said Goods Chattells and Credits Dated Fort S^{t}. George sixth day of May Anno Domini 1746.

JOSEPH FOWKE
May^{r}.

NOAH CASAMAJOR *Reg^{r}*.

FORT S^{T}. GEORGE 16TH. SEPT^{R}. 1745.

LAST WILL & Testament of me John Saunders with a Codicil annexed delivered to the Charge of M^{r}. Joseph Fowke one of my Executors Nominated therein, with this desire, that the same may be open'd on a moral certainty or reasonable conjecture of my Decease.

JOHN SAUNDERS.

Ex^{d}. & Compared with the Original Registerd in Fort S^{t}. George this 10th. day of June A.D. 1746.

℘ NOAH CASAMAJOR
Reg^{r}.

IN THE NAME OF GOD AMEN I JOHN SAUNDERS of Fort S^{t}. George in the East Indies Merchant being of a sound and disposing mind, memory, and understanding but Justly sensible of my mortality and the uncertainty when the same shall happen Do with an humble resignation of myself to the Divine Pleasure of Almighty God, make and ordain this my Last Will, and Testament, in manner and form following (that is to say) *Imprimis* I will and Direct that all such just Debts as I shall owe at the time of my Decease, and my Funeral Expences shall in the first place be fully paid, and satisfied, and I leave and referr the manner, and Expence of my Funeral to the discretion of my Executors hereinafter named, with this desire, that the same may be performed without Pomp, or Ostentation, and with as much Privacy, and as little Expence as shall be agreeable to, and consistent with decency, and as for that Wordly, or Temporal Estate which it hath pleased God to bestow upon me, I give, devise, and bequeath the same as follows Viz^{t}. I give and bequeath unto my good friends Richard Benyon Esqr. late Governour of Fort S^{t}. George John Horne Esqr. late Governour of Bombay, William Davis of Calcutta Esqr. M^{r}. Edmund Godfrey of Crutched Friers London, and M^{r}. Joseph Fowke of Fort S^{t}. George aforesaid my Executors hereinafternamed, and desire their acceptance of the sum of Five ℘ Cent to be accounted, or reckoned on the neat produce of my Estate, to be Equally divided amongst them or such of them, as shall prove this my Will, and act in the Trusts by me thereby reposed in them, in consideration of the trouble which they, and each of them may respectively have and undergo in the Execution of this my WILL. ITEM I give and devise all the rest and residue of my Estate whatsoever, and of what nature, kind, or quality so ever unto the said Richard Benyon, John Horne, William Davis, Edmund Godfrey, and Joseph Fowke UPON SPECIAL TRUST, AND CONFIDENCE that they the said Richard Benyon, John Horne William Davis, Edmund Godfrey, and Joseph Fowke, and the survivors, and survivor of them, do and shall as soon as conveniently may be after my decease put, and place out all such rest, and residue of my Estate at Interest, upon such Government, or other Publick Funds, or securities, or on such Publick or Private securities as they shall approve of and the same at their pleasure to alter, or remove, The Principal, as well as the Interest thereof being by them to be paid, and applyed to, for and upon such Trusts, uses, intents, and purposes as are hereinafter mentioned, expressed, and Declared (that is to say) UPON TRUST that they the said Richard Benyon, John Horne, William Davis, Edmund Godfrey, and Joseph.

JOHN SAUNDERS.

Fowke, and the survivors, and survivor of them do, and shall yearly, and every year pay or Cause to be paid, unto my Loving Wife Martha Saunders for, and during the Term of her Natural Life the full and Just sum of one hundred and Fifty Pounds of Lawfull money of Great Britain, in case she shall chuse to Live, or reside in Europe, or the sum of Four hundred Pagodas Current of Madrass, in case she shall chuse to Live, or reside in India, to be paid, or remitted to her at such Payments, or Proportions, and in such manner as she shall require the same, ALSO UPON TRUST that they the said Richard Benyon, John Horne, William Davis, Edmund Godfrey, and Joseph Fowke, and the survivors, and survivor of them do, and shall from time to time pay and apply such sum, and sums of money, as they shall think fitting, and necessary for, and towards the Maintenance, and Education of my Four Children Charles, Robert, Elizabeth, and Henrietta Saunders, untill they shall attain their ages of Twenty one years respectively. AND ALSO FURTHER UPON TRUST That the said Richard Benyon, John Horne, William Davis, Edmund Godfrey, and Joseph Fowke, and the survivors, and survivor of them do, and shall, as soon as any one of my said Children, shall attain his, or her age of Twenty One years set apart from the rest, so much of my said Estate, as the Interest or proceeds

thereof shall be sufficient to pay, and discharge the said sum of One hundred and Fifty Pounds or the said sum of Four hundred Pagodas so bequeathed to my said Wife, for, and during the Term of her Natural Life as aforesaid, such sum so set apart to be put, or placed out at Interest upon such Government or other Publick Funds, or securities, or upon such Publick or private securities as they my said Trustees or the survivors, or survivor of them shall approve of, and the same at their pleasure to alter, or remove. This being done, I give, devise, and bequeath all my said Estate not so set apart as aforesaid to answer my said Wifes annuity or yearly Payment for the Term of her Natural Life to, and amongst my said Children Charles, Robert, Elizabeth, and Henrietta Saunders, share, and share alike, to become Payable to them at such time, and times as they shall respectively attain their several ages of Twenty one years, and in case of the Death of One, or two of my said Children before he, she, or they shall attain his her or their said ages of Twenty one years, Then I give, devise, and bequeath the share, or shares of him, her or them so dying to be equally divided to, and amongst my surviving children, or in case of the Death of three of them, then I give the.

John Saunders.

Whole of my Estate, not so set apart as aforesaid, and Will that the same shall become due, and Payable to such surviving Child at such time as he or she shall be entituled to receive his, or her own part, or share that is to say, at the age of Twenty one years as aforesaid, and I do hereby further Will, order and direct, That that part of my said Estate, so set apart to answer my said Wifes annuity, or yearly Payment, as aforesaid, shall immediately after her decease fall into the Residuum of my Estate, and be paid to and amongst my said Four Children Charles, Robert, Elizabeth and Henrietta Saunders in the like manner, and at such times, as I have ordered the other Part of my Estate shall be Payable to them, or the survivors, or survivor of them, and in case of the Death of all my Children before they shall have attained their said ages of twenty one years, Then I give, devise, and bequeath all my Estate whatsoever, and wheresoever and of what nature, kind, or quality so ever unto my said Wife Martha Saunders, her Executors, Administrators, and assigns. Item I will and desire that my Two Daughters now in India shall as soon after my decease as conveniently they may be sent to England for their Education, and that as well they, as my two sons already in England be maintained, and Educated in the best, and most Liberal manner, suitable to their Fortunes, and Genius, and I do hereby Will, and Declare that my said Executors, or any of them shall not be answerable for any Involuntary Loss, or Losses that shall, or may happen in the putting, or placing out at Interest any part of my said Estate, by reason of Defect of Title, Badness of security, or any other matter, cause, or thing whatsoever, but that all, and every such Loss, and Losses shall be born, and sustained by such Person or Persons as shall be entituled to the residuum of my Estate, rateably, and proportionably, according to their respective shares therein, and by me bequeathed unto them or in Trust for them, And I do hereby Will, declare, and direct that no one of my Executors shall be answerable, or accountable for the acts, Deeds, Receipts, or Payments of the other of them, but that each of them shall be answerable, and accountable for his own acts, Deeds, Receipts and Payments only, and that they my said Executors shall, and may in the first place from time to time deduct, retain, reimburse, and take to him, and themselves out of my Estate all such costs, Charges, and Expences as they, or any of them shall Expend, or be any ways, put unto in the Execution of this my Will, and of the several Trusts hereby reposed in them, according as such Expences shall happen, and I do authorize and empower Will. (2)

John Saunders.

And direct my Executors or any of them to Compound for any Debt, or Debts, duty or dutys, sum or sums of money, or other matter, or thing that shall be due, and owing unto me at the time of my Decease, and to take less than the whole that is due, or any other thing in Lieu and satisfaction for the same, if they shall so think fit. And I do hereby Will, and Declare that in such case my said Executors, or any of them shall not be answerable or accountable to all or any of the Legatees in this my Will for any thing more than they shall actually, and respectively receive (3)

upon any such composition and I do hereby give unto my Executors full Power, and authority to state, settle, & adjust all such accounts as I shall have depending with any Person, or Persons whatsoever at the time of my Death without suit at Law, or in Equity, if the same can be reasonably avoided, and in the same manner as I myself might, or could do, if the same had been settled by me in my Life time, AND I do hereby revoke, and make void all other, and former Wills by me at any time heretofore made, and do make ordain, publish, and declare this only to be my Last Will, and Testament and Do constitute and appoint the said Richard Benyon, John Horne, William Davis, Edmund Godfrey, and Joseph Fowke Joint Executors of my said Will and also Guardians of my said children Charles, Robert, Elizabeth, and Henrietta Saunders untill they shall attain their respective ages of Twenty One years as aforesaid AND in case of the Death, or absence of my said Executor William Davis Esqr. or on his removal to Great Britain I do in either of those Cases nominate, constitute, and appoint in his room, and stead my friend Wadham Brooke Esqr. of Council in Calcutta aforesaid. But if the said Wadham Brooke shou'd Die be absent, or removed to England before this my Will takes place I do then nominate, constitute and appoint in his room, and stead John Jackson Esqr. of Council at Calcutta aforesaid AND LASTLY my mind is, and I do further Declare, Will, and direct That, in case so many of my said Trustees shall happen to Die, before the Execution, and full performance of all, and every the beforementioned Trusts so as to reduce my said Executors, Trustees, and Guardians to the number of Two, That then, and in such case the surviving Trustees, or Trustee, Executors or Executor, Guardians and Guardian, do, and shall choose one, or more Person, or Persons to be a Trustee, or Trustees, Executor, or Executors Guardian, and Guardians in the place, or stead of him, or them who shall so dye, so as to make the number of my Trustees, Guardians, and Executors to be Three at least at a time, and the Persons, and Persons to be nominated, and appointed by the survivors, or survivor of my said Trustees, Guardians, and Executors, herein before named shall become Trustee or Trustees, Executor or Executors Guardians, and Guardians concerning all, and singular the premises herein before mentioned and of my said Children Charles Robert, Elizabeth and Henrietta Saunders in the same manner, and as fully, and effectually to all intents and purposes as If I myself had particularly named the said Person, and Persons so to be chosen.

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(4) To be Trustees, Executors, and Guardians in this my Will: and this I Will, and direct shall be done, and Performed when, and as often as the Number of my Executors, Trustees, and Guardians shall be reduced to the Number of Two, untill all the Trusts in this my Will shall be fully Performed, and Executed IN WITNESS whereof I the said John Saunders have to Three parts of this my Last Will and Testament all of the same date, and Tenour (being contained and written in Five Sheets of Paper each) affixed my seal, and to each, and every sheet thereof subscribed my name this sixteenth day of September in the Nineteenth year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord George the second, by the Grace of God of Great Britain, France, and Ireland King, Defender of the Faith and so forth, and in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and Forty Five.

JOHN SAUNDERS (L.S)

SIGNED, SEALED, PUBLISHED AND DECLARED by the said Testator John Saunders as and for his Last Will and Testament in the Presence of us, who subscribed our Names as Witnesses thereto, in his presence, and of each other.

HENRY POWNEY.
CHAS. BODDAM.
DAWSONNE DRAKE.
ROBT. SLOPER.

(5) Examined and Compared with the Original & Registered in Fort St. George this 16th. day of June A.D. 1746.

℔ NOAH CASAMAJOR *Regr.*

Whereas, I John Saunders of Fort St. George Merchant have by my Last Will and Testament hereunto annexed, and bearing even date herewith, Given devised, and bequeathed all my Estate, not set apart, as thereby is set forth, to answer my Wifes annuity, or yearly Payment for the Term of her natural Life to and amongst my Children Charles, Robert, Elizabeth, and Henrietta Saunders share,. and share alike, to become payable to them at such time, & times as they should respectively attain their several ages of Twenty one years as also, That, That part of my Estate, so by my said Will set apart to answer my said Wifes annuity, or yearly Payment, should immediately after her decease fall into the Residuum of my Estate, and be paid to, and amongst my said four children Charles, Robert, Elizabeth, and Henrietta Saunders in the like manner, and at such times, as I had ordered the other part of my Estate should be payable to them, or the survivors, or survivor of them, Now, my Mind and Will is, and I do hereby Declare that in case either, or both of my said Daughters Elizabeth, and Henrietta Saunders shall (with the consent, and approbation of such of my Executors, Trustees, and Guardians, as shall Live or reside in the Kingdom of Great Britain or the Major part of them) Marry before they, or either of them my said Daughters have attained their said Ages of Twenty one years, That then the Fortune, or Portion, Fortunes, or Portions of such Daughter, or Daughters so marrying with such consent, and approbation as aforesaid, shall immediately on such marriage or marriages become due, and Payable to her, or them my said Daughters, as if she, or they had attained their said ages of Twenty one years, any thing in my said Will contained to the contrary notwithstanding In Witness whereof I the said John Saunders have to Three parts of this Codicil, annexed to Three parts of my said Last Will and Testament, all of the same date, and Tenour affixed my name, and seal this sixteenth day of September in the nineteenth year of the Reign of our sovereign Lord George the second by the Grace of God of Great Britain France and Ireland King defender of the Faith, and so forth, and in the year of our Lord one thousand, seven hundred and Forty five.

John Saunders (LS)

Signed, Sealed, Published, and Declared by the said Testator John Saunders as, and for a Codicil to his Last Will and Testament, in the presence of us, who subscribed our names as Witness thereto, in his presence and of each other.

Henry Powney.
Chas. Boddam.
Dawsonne Drake.
Robt. Sloper.

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Examined and Compared with the Original & Registered in Fort St. George this 10th. day of June A.D. 1746.

Noah Casamajor *Regr.*

Fort St. George 16th. Sepr. 1745.

Last Will & Testament of me John Saunders, with a Codicil annexed, recommended to the Charge of William Davis of Calcutta Esqr. one of my Executors nominated therein, with this desire that the same may be open'd on a moral certainty, or reasonable conjecture of my Decease.

Examined & Compared with the Original Registerd in Fort St. George this 16th. day of June A.D. 1746.

John Saunders
℣ Noah Casamajor
Regr.

In the name of God amen I John Saunders of Fort St. George in the East Indies Merchant being of a sound and disposing mind, memory, and understanding but Justly sensible of my mortality, and the uncertainty when the same shall happen, Do with an humble resignation of myself to the Divine Pleasure of Almighty God, make, and ordain this my Last Will and Testament, in manner and form following (that is to say) *Imprimis* I will and Direct that all such just Debts as I shall owe at the time of my Decease, and my Funeral Expences, shall in the first place be fully paid, and satisfied, and I leave and referr the manner and expence of my Funeral to the discretion of my Executors herein after named, with this desire, that the same may be performed without Pomp, or Ostentation, and with as much Privacy, and as little Expence as shall be agreeable to, and consistent with Decency: and as for that Worldly, or Temporal Estate which it hath pleased God to bestow upon me, I give, devise, and bequeath the same as follows Vizt. I give and bequeath unto my good friends Richard Benyon Esqr. late Governour of Fort St. George, John Horne Esqr. late Governour of Bombay, William Davis of Calcutta Esqr., Mr. Edmund Godfrey of Crutched Friers London, and Mr. Joseph Fowke of Fort St. George aforesaid my Executors herein after named, and desire their acceptance of the sum of Five ℘ Cent to be accounted, or reckoned on the neat produce of my Estate, to be Equally divided amongst them, or such of them, as shall prove this my Will, and act in the Trusts by me thereby reposed in them, in consideration of the trouble which they, and each of them may respectively have, and undergo in the Execution of this my Will. Item I give and devise all the rest and residue of my Estate whatsoever, and of what nature, kind, or Quality so ever unto the said Richard Benyon, John Horne, William Davis, Edmund Godfrey and Joseph Fowke upon Special Trust, and Confidence that they the said Richard Benyon, John Horne, William Davis, Edmund Godfrey, and Joseph Fowke, and the survivors, and survivor of them, do and shall as soon as conveniently may be after my decease put ,and place out all such rest and residue of my Estate at Interest upon such Government, or other Publick Funds, or securities or on such Publick, or Private securities as they shall approve of, and the same at their pleasure to alter, or remove, The Principal, as well as the Interest thereof being by them to be paid, and applyed to, for and upon such Trusts, uses Intents and purposes as are hereinafter mentioned, expressed, and Declared (that is to say) upon Trust that they the said Richard Benyon, John Horne, William Davis, Edmund Godfrey and Joseph.

John Saunders

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(1) Fowke and the Survivors and Survivor of them do, and shall yearly, and every year pay, or cause to be paid, unto my Loving Wife, Martha Saunders for, and during the Term of her Natural Life the full and Just sum of One hundred and Fifty Pounds of Lawfull Money of Great Britain, in case she shall chuse to Live or reside in Europe, or the sum of Four hundred Pagodas Current of Madrass, in case she shall chuse to Live, or reside in India, to be paid, or remitted to her at such Payments, or Proportions, and in such manner, as she shall require the same, Also upon Trust that they the said Richard Benyon, John Horne, William Davis, Edmund Godfrey, and Joseph Fowke, and the Survivors, and Survivor of them do, and shall from time to time pay, and apply such sum, and sums of money, as they shall think fitting and necessary for, and towards the Maintenance, and Education of my Four Children Charles, Robert, Elizabeth, and Henrietta Saunders untill they shall attain their ages of Twenty one years respectively, and also further upon Trust that the said Richard Benyon, John Horne, William Davis, Edmund Godfrey, and Joseph Fowke, and the survivors, and survivor of them do, and shall as soon as any one of my said children, shall attain his, or her age of Twenty one years set apart from the rest, so much of my said Estate, as the Interest, or proceeds thereof shall be sufficient to pay and discharge the said sum of one hundred and Fifty Pounds or the said sum of Four hundred Pagodas so bequeathed to my said Wife, for, and during the Term of her Natural Life as aforesaid such sum so set apart to be put, and placed out at Interest upon such Government or other Publick Funds, or securities, or upon such Publick, or private securities as they my said Trustees, or the Survivors, or Survivor of them shall approve of, and the same at their pleasure to alter, or

remove, This being done, I give devise, and bequeath all my said Estate, not so set apart as aforesaid to answer my said Wifes annuity, or yearly Payment for the Term of her Natural Life to, and amongst my said Children Charles, Robert, Elizabeth, and Henrietta Saunders, share, and share alike to become Payable to them at such time, and times as they shall respectively attain their several ages of Twenty one years, and in case of the Death of one, or two of my said Children before he, she, or they shall attain his, her, or their said ages of Twenty one years Then I give, devise, and bequeath the share, or shares of him, her, or them so dying to be equally divided to, and amongst my surviving children, or in case of the Death of three of them, then I give the

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Whole of my said Estate, not so set apart as aforesaid and Will that the same shall become due, and Payable to such surviving Child at such time as he, or she shall be entitled to receive his, or her own part, or share, that is to say, at the age of Twenty one years as aforesaid. AND I do hereby further Will, order, and direct That, That part of my said Estate, so set apart to answer my said Wifes annuity, or yearly Payment, as aforesaid, shall immediately after her decease fall into the Residuum of my Estate, and be paid to, and amongst my said four Children Charles, Robert, Elizabeth, and Henrietta Saunders in the like manner and at such times, as I have ordered the other Part of my Estate shall be Payable to them, or the Survivors, or Survivor of them, and in case of the Death of all my said Children before they shall have attained their said ages of Twenty one years, Then, I give, devise and bequeath all my Estate whatsoever, and wheresoever, and of what nature kind, or quality soever unto my said Wife Martha Saunders, her Executors, administrators and assigns. ITEM I Will, and desire that my Two Daughters now in India shall as soon after my decease as conveniently they may, be sent to England for their Education, and that as well they, as my two sons already in England be maintained, and Educated in the best, and most Liberal manner, suitable to their Fortunes, and Genius, AND I do hereby Will, and Declare that my said Executors, or any of them, shall not be answerable for any Involuntary Loss, or Losses that shall, or may happen in the putting, or placing out at Interest any part of my said Estate, by reason of defect of Title, Badness of security, or any other matter, cause, or thing whatsoever, but that all, and every such Loss, and Losses shall be born and sustained by such Person, or Persons as shall be entitled to the Residuum of my Estate, rateably, and proportionately, according to their respective shares therein, and by me bequeathed unto them, or in Trust for them, AND I do hereby Will, declare, and direct that no one of my Executors shall be answerable or accountable for the Acts, Deeds, Receipts or Payments of the other of them, but that each of them shall be answerable, and accountable for his own acts, Deeds, Receipts, and Payments only, and that they my said Executors shall, and may in the first place from time, to time deduct, retain, reimburse, and take to him, and themselves out of my Estate all such Costs, Charges, and Expences as they or any of them shall Expend, or be any ways put unto in the Execution of this my Will and of the several Trusts hereby reposed in them, according as such Expences shall happen, and I do authorize, and empower Will.

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AND direct my Executors, or any of them to compound for any Debt or Debts, duty or dutys, sum or sums of money, or other matter, or thing that shall be due, and owing unto me at the time of my decease, and to take less than the whole that is due or any other thing in L[ieu and] Satisfaction for the same, if they shall so think fit, AND I do hereby Will, and Declare that in such case my said Executors, or any of them shall not be answerable or accountable to all, or any of the Legatees in this my Will, for any thing more than they shall actually, and respectively receive upon any such composition and I do hereby give unto my Executors full Power, and authority to state, settle, and adjust all such accounts as I shall have depending with any Person or Persons whatsoever at the time of my Death without suit at Law, or in Equity, if the same can be reasonably avoided, and in the same manner as I myself might, or could do, if the same had been settled by me in my Life time,

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AND I do hereby revoke, and make void all other, and former Wills by me at any time heretofore made, and do make, ordain, publish, and declare this only to be my Last Will, and Testament, and Do constitute and appoint the said Richard Benyon, John Horne, William Davis, Edmund Godfrey, and Joseph Fowke Joint Executors of my said Will, and also Guardians of my said Children Charles, Robert, Elizabeth, and Henrietta Saunders untill they shall attain their respective ages of Twenty one years as aforesaid and in case of the Death, or absence of my said Executor William Davis Esqr. or on his Removal to Great Britain I do in either of those cases Nominate, Constitute, and Appoint in his room and stead my Friend Wadham Brooke Esqr. of Council in Calcutta aforesaid. But if the said Wadham Brooke shou'd Die, be absent, or removed to England before this my will takes place, I do then nominate constitute and appoint in his room and stead John Jackson Esqr. of Council at Calcutta aforesaid AND LASTLY my mind is, and I do further Declare, Will, and direct That, in case so many of my said Trustees shall happen to die, before the Execution, and full performance of all and every the beforementioned Trusts so as to reduce my said Executors, Trustees, and Guardians to the number of Two, That then, and in such case the surviving Trustees or Trustee, Executors or Executor Guardians and Guardian, do and shall choose one or more Person or Persons to be a Trustee, or Trustees, Executor or Executors, Guardian and Guardians in the place or stead of him, or them who shall so Dye, so as to make the number of my Trustees Guardians and Executors to be Three at least at a time, and the Person, and Persons to be nominated, and appointed by the survivors, or survivor of my said Trustees, Guardians and Executors here in before named shall become Trustee or Trustees, Executor, or Executors, Guardian and Guardians concerning all, and singular the Premises herein before mentioned, and of my said Children Charles, Robert, Elizabeth, and Henrietta Saunders in the same manner, and as fully and effectually to all intents and purposes as If I myself had particularly named the said Person, and Persons so to be chosen.

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To be Trustees, Executors, and Guardians in this My Will, and this I Will and direct shall be done and Performed when, and as often as the number of my Executors, Trustees, and Guardians shall be reduced to the number of Two untill all the Trusts in this my Will shall be fully Performed and Executed IN WITNESS whereof I the said John Saunders have to Three parts of this my Last Will and Testament all of the same Date and Tenour (being contained and written in Five Sheets of Paper each) affixed my seal and to each and every sheet thereof subscribed my name this sixteenth day of September in the Nineteenth year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord George the second, by the Grace of God of Great Britain, France, and Ireland King Defender of the faith and so forth and in the year of Our Lord one thousand seven hundred and Forty Five.

JOHN SAUNDERS (LS).

SIGNED, SEALED, PUBLISHED AND DECLARED by the said Testator John Saunders as and for his Last Will and Testament in the presence of us, who subscribed our Names as Witnesses thereto, in his presence and of each other.

HENRY POWNEY.
CHA^S^. BODDAM.
DAWSONNE DRAKE.
ROB^T^: SLOPER.

Examined & Compared with the Original & Registerd in Fort S^t^. George this 10th. day of June A.D. 1746. The Words—Trustee, Executors, or Executor Guardians—in the first line of this page and the words—or Executors Guardians and Guardian in the place—in the second Line, of the same page, also the words —and every sheet—in the seventeenth Line from the top of this page, being first wrote on Erasures.

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℣ NOAH CASAMAJOR *Reg^r^.*

Whereas, I John Saunders of Fort St. George Merchant have, by my Last Will and Testament hereunto annexed, and bearing even date herewith, Given devised, and bequeathed all my Estate, not set apart, as thereby is set forth to answer my Wifes annuity, or yearly Payment for the Term of her natural Life to, and amongst my Children Charles, Robert, Elizabeth and Henrietta Saunders share and share alike, to become payable to them at such time, and times as they should respectively attain their several ages of Twenty one years, as also That, That part of my Estate so by my said Will, set apart to answer my said Wifes annuity, or yearly Payment, should immediately after her Decease fall into the Residuum of my Estate, and be paid to, and amongst my said four Children Charles, Robert, Elizabeth, and Henrietta Saunders in the like manner, and at such times, as I had ordered the other part of my Estate should be payable to them, or the survivors, or survivor of them, Now my mind and Will is, and I do hereby Declare That in case either, or both of my said Daughters Elizabeth, and Henrietta Saunders shall (with the consent, and approbation of such of my Executors, Trustees and Guardians as shall Live, or reside in the Kingdom of Great Britain, or the major part of them). Marry before they, or either of them my said Daughter have attained their said ages of Twenty one years, That then the Fortune or Portion, Fortunes, or Portions of such Daughter, or Daughters so marrying with such marriage, or marriages become due, and Payable to her, or them my said Daughters, as if she, or they had attained their said ages of Twenty one years, any thing in my said Will contained to the contrary notwithstanding, In Witness wherof I the said John Saunders have to Three parts of this Codicil, annexed to three parts of my said Last Will, and Testament, all of the same date and Tenour affixed my name and seal this sixteenth day of September in the Nineteenth year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord George the Second by the Grace of God of Great Britain, France, and Ireland King Defender of the Faith, and so forth, and in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and Forty Five.

Signed, Sealed, Published, and Declared by the said Testator John Saunders as for a Codicil to his Last Will, and Testament, in the presence of us, who subscribed our names as Witnesses thereto, in his presence and of each other.

John Saunders (LS).

Henry Powney.
Chas. Boddam.
Dawsonne Drake.
Robt. Sloper.

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Examined & Compared with the Original & Registerd in Fort St. George this 10th. day of June A.D. 1746.

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℔ Noah Casamajor *Regr*.

By the Mayors Court at Madraspatnam.

(L.S.) Mayors Court

Be it known to all Men by these presents that this tenth day of June Anno Domini 1746 The Will of John Saunders late of Fort St. George Merchant deceased & Codicil hereunto annext, was exhibited and proved before this Court, and administration of all and singular the Goods Chattells and Credits to the said deceased in any wise belonging was and is hereby Committed to Joseph Fowke of the place aforesaid One of the Executors in the said Will named, being first sworn well and truly to administer the same, and to pay the Lawfull Debts of the said deceased and the Legacys in the said Will contained, as far as the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said deceased shall Extend and the Law oblige him, and also to Exhibit into this Court a true and perfect Inventory of all the said Goods Chattells and Credits on or before the 10th. day of June which will be in the year of Our Lord One thousand seven hundred & forty seven and to render into this Court a true and just account of all the Effects of the said deceased on or before the 10th. day of June

(*or John Jackson) interlined ℔ Ordo. Cur. 24o. June 1746.

which will be in the year of Our Lord One thousand Seven hundred and forty eight, Reserving power of Granting the like administration unto Richard Benyon and John Horne of London Esq^rs^. M^r^. Edmund Godfrey also of London and Wadham Brooke* or John Jackson of Calcutta in Bengal Esq^rs^. Executors also in the said Will named, when they came to pray the same. Dated the Day month year and place abovementioned.

SIDNEY FOXALL *Senr. Ald^n^.*

NOAH CASAMAJOR *Reg^r^.*

BY THE MAYORS COURT AT MADRASPATNAM.

(L.S) MAYORS COURT.

BE it known to all Men by these Presents that this tenth day of June Anno Domini 1746 The Will of John Saunders of Fort S^t^. George Merchant deceased & Codicil hereunto, annext. was exhibited and proved before this Court, and administration of all and singular the Goods Chattells and Credits to the said deceased in any wise belonging was and is hereby committed to Joseph Fowke of the place aforesaid One of the Executors in the said Will named, being first sworn well and truly to administer the same, and to pay the Lawfull Debts of the said deceased and the Legacys in the said will contained, as far as the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said deceased shall Extend and the Law oblige him, and also to Exhibit into this Court a true and perfect Inventory of all the said Goods Chattells and Credits on or before the 10th. day of June which will be in the year of Our Lord One thousand Seven hundred and forty seven and to render into this Court a true and just account of all the Effects of the said deceased on or before the 10th. day of June which will be in the year of our Lord One thousand Seven hundred and forty eight, Reserving power of Granting the like administration unto Richard Benyon and John Horne of London Esqr. M^r^. Edmund Godfrey also of London and Wadham Brooke,* or John Jackson of Calcutta in Bengal Esq^rs^. Executors also in the said Will named, when they came to pray the same. Dated the day month year and place abovementioned.

(*or John Jackson) interlined ℔ Ordo. Cur. 24o, June 1746.

SIDNEY FOXALL *Senr. Ald^n^.*

NOAH CASAMAJOR *Reg^r^.*

IN THE NAME OF GOD AMEN I JOHN ANDREWS of Fort S^t^. George in the East Indies Mariner being Weak in Body but of sound mind memory and understanding Do make and ordain this my Last Will and Testament in manner and form following that is to say First I recommend my soul to God, and my Body to be decently Buried at the discretion of my Friend Joseph Bacon. In the next place I give, devise and bequeath after Payment of my just Debts and Funeral Expences, ALL my Estate Goods Chattles and Effects whatsoever the whole being in India, unto my Dear and well beloved sister Elizabeth Andrews of Greenwich in the County of Kent Spinster, But if the same shall amount to the sum of Four hundred Pagodas or upwards In that Case I give the sum of One Hundred Pagodas to Gaylard Roberts son of my Honoured Friend Captain Gaylard Roberts and I desire that my said Friend Joseph Bacon will make sale by Publick Outcry, of what I may leave at my Decease, and take care of the amount thereof until the said Captain Gaylard Roberts shall arrive at this place to whom I order the whole shall be paid, and who I desire after Payment of what I have above Disposed of will Transmit the Remainder to my said sister in Such manner as he shall think most advantageous for her And I do hereby nominate constitute and appoint my said Honoured Friend Captain Gaylard Roberts sole Executor of this my will, Hereby Revoking, disannulling and making void all other and former Wills by me at any time heretofore made in Word or Writing, IN

WITNESS whereof I the said Testator have hereunto set my Hand and seal in Fort St. George of aforesaid this Twenty sixth day of May In the Year of Our Lord One thousand seven Hundred and Forty six.

SIGNED SEALED PUBLISHED and DECLARED by the said Testator as and for his Last Will and Testament in the Presence of us, who have in his Presence and at his request subscribed our names as Witnesses thereto—The words —But if—in the Fifteenth Line from the Top of the other side, And the Word—That in the seventeenth Line being first wrote on Erasures.

JOHN ANDREWS (LS).

MICHAEL COLLINGS.
JOS : BENDALL.

Examined & Compared with the Original.

℘ NOAH CASAMAJOR *Regr.*

BY THE MAYORS COURT AT MADRASPATNAM.

(L.S.) MAYORS COURT.

BE IT KNOWN to all Men by these Presents that this Tenth day of June Anno Domini 1746 The Will of John Andrews late of Fort St. George Mariner deceased hereunto annext, was exhibited and proved before this Court and administration of all and singular the Goods Chattells and Credits to the said Deceased in any wise belonging was and is hereby Committed to Captain Gaylard Roberts of the place aforesaid Executor in the said Will named, being first sworn well and truly to administer the same, and to pay the Lawfull Debts of the said Deceased and the Legacys in the said Will contained, as far as the goods Chattells and Credits of the said deceased shall Extend and the Law oblige him and also to exhibit into this Court a true and perfect Inventory of all the said Goods Chattells and Credits on or before the tenth day of June, which will be in the year of Our Lord One thousand Seven hundred and forty seven and to render into this Court a true and just account of all the Effects of the said deceased on or before the tenth day of June which will be in the year of Our Lord One thousand seven hundred and forty eight Dated the Day month, Year, and place abovementioned.

JOSEPH FOWKE
Mayr.

NOAH CASAMAJOR *Regr.*

IN THE NAME OF GOD AMEN I Lewis Tornery of Vizagapatam being at present of sound mind memory & understanding and well knowing the certainty of Death, but the uncertain Time of its approach do therefore make & Ordain this my Last Will & Testament in manner and form following.

Imprimis I direct that my Funerall Charges be in the first place paid & Discharged and after payment thereof I will that all my Just Debts be discharged so farr as I may Leave Effects for so doing.

I DECLARE that I have given my Slave Boy named Lewis to Mr. John Stratton under a promise that he will never sell him for a slave.

I DECLARE Likewise that my Mallay servant and my Cook are both free men.

I DIRECT that all my House hould Furniture such as Chairs, Tables and my Pallanqueen togethr. with all my Cookroom Furniture be disposed of at this place, and the Remainder to be sent to my Executor at Fort St. George with all my Books, and papers which I desire may be packed up in my Chests underseal.

I Do hereby Constitute & appoint Mr. John Stratton & Mr. Robert Turing Trustees of this my Last Will at this place and do Request of them to seal up all my Papers presently after my Decease and send them by the 1st. Good Conveyance

that they shall think proper to Mr. James Hugonin at Madrass whom I do hereby constitute and appoint whole and sole Executor of this my Last Will and Testament Revoking all others by me made preceding the date hereof In Witness whereof I have hereunto sett my hand & seal in Viza. this 20th. day of Feby. A.D. 1745/6.

L. Tornery (LS).

Signed Sealed published and Declared by the sd. Lewis Tornery as & for his Last Will & Testament in the presence of

John Jones.
John Sutherland.

Examined & Compared with the Original.

℣ Noah Casamajor *Regr*.

By the Mayors Court at Madraspatnam.

Be it known to all Men by these Presents that this Tenth day of June Anno Domini 1746 The Will of Lewis Tornery late of Vizagapatam deceased hereunto annext, was exhibited and proved before this Court and administration of all and singular the Goods Chattells and Credits to the said deceased in any wise belonging was and is hereby committed to James Hugonin of Madras Executor in the said Will named, being first sworn well and truly to administer the same and to pay the lawfull Debts of the said deceased and the Legacys in the said Will contained as far as the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said deceased shall Extend and the Law oblige him and also to Exhibit into this Court a true and perfect Inventory of all the said Goods Chattells and Credits on or before the tenth day of June, which will be in the year of Our Lord, One thousand seven hundred and Forty seven and to render into this Court a true and just account of all the Effects of the said deceased on or before the tenth day of June which will be in the year of Our Lord One thousand and seven hundred and forty Eighty Dated, the Day Month, Year, and Place abovementioned.

Joseph Fowke
Mayr.

Noah Casamajor *Regr*.

In the name of God Amen I John Campbell of Fort St. George Gentleman Being in Bodily health and sound and Disposing Mind and Memory, and considering the uncertainty of this Transitory Life, do for avoiding Controversies and Disputes after my Decease, make Publish and Declare this to be my Last Will and Testament, in manner and form Following, That is to say, First I recommend my soul to God that Gave to me and my Body I commit to the Earth there to be Decently Interr'd, at the Discretion of my Executors Hereafter named, and as for and concerning all my wordly Estate I Give Bequeath and Dispose thereof as followeth, That is to say all sum and sums of money Lands Tenements Goods Chattles and Estate whatsoever as shall be any ways Due Oweing or Belongg. unto me, at the Time of my Decease, I do Give Devise and Bequeath the same unto my Two Dear Children Namely Joneta and James, (Both by Flora to be Equally Divided Between them when arriv'd at the years of Discretion (twenty one) or be married, when at which Time, I order that their severall shares shall become Due and Payable unto them, But in Case of either of their Deaths the whole to fall to the surviver, and I do hereby nominate constitute and appoint my well Beloved friends Mr. Jno. Shaw and Mr. John Daniell of Fort St. George aforesaid to be my sole Executors of this my Last will and Testament hereby revoking all former and other wills Testaments and Deeds of Gifts by me at any time heretofore made, and I do ordain that the said Mr. John Shaw and Daniell aforesaid shall Employ my said Estate for the Benefit of my aforesaid Two Children in such manner as they shall think Proper untill such time as they shall arrive to the years of Maturity or be married and I do

ordain and ratify These presents to stand and be for and as my only Last Will and Testament, IN WITNESS whereof to this my said Will I have set my hand seal——— This Twenty Eighth Day of February One Thousand Seven Hundred and Forty Five.

SIGNED SEALED and Published and Declared in the Presence of

JOHN CAMPBELL (LS).

THO^s. COTTON.
HANAMEEL CATTELL.

Examined & Compared with the Original.
℔ NOAH CASAMAJOR *Reg^r.*

BY THE MAYORS COURT AT MADRASPATNAM.

BE IT KNOWN to all Men by these Presents that this 24th. day of June Anno Domini 1746, The Will of John Campbell, late of Fort S^t. George Gentleman deceased hereunto annext, was exhibited and proved before this Court and administration of all and singular the goods Chattells & Credits to the said deceased in any wise belonging was and is hereby Committed to John Shaw of the place aforesaid one of the Executors in the said Will named, being first sworn well and truly to administer the same and to pay the Lawfull Debts of the said deceased and the Legacys in the said Will contained as far as the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said Deceased shall Extend and the Law oblige him and also to Exhibit into this Court a true and perfect Inventory of all the said Goods Chattells and Credits on or before one year from the date hereof and to render into this Court a true and just account of all the Effects of the said Deceased on or before the 24°. day of June which will be in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and forty eight, reserving Power of granting the like administration to John Daniel an Executor also in the said Will named when he comes to pray the same Dated the Day Month year, and place abovementioned.

JOSEPH FOWKE
May^r.

NOAH CASAMAJOR *Reg^r.*

IN THE NAME OF GOD AMEN I William Johnson of Fort S^t. George in the East Indies do make my last Will and Testament in manner and form following. I devoutly resign my soul into the Hands of God who gave it, and my Body to the Earth, in Hope of a joyful Resurrection through his Mercy, and the Merits of Jesus Christ my Saviour and Redeemer, and whatever of the Goods of this life I may die possessed of or shall be any way accruing to me; when all my just Debts and Funeral Charges shall be paid, I give and bequeath them to my Dearly Beloved Wife Elizabeth Johnson, whom I hereby constitute and appoint sole Executrix of this my last Will and Testament, revoking and making of no Effect all other Wills by me heretofore made, and it is my Desire that my said Executrix will transmit to my Brother, the Rev^d. M^r. Isaac Johnson at Canterbury in the County of Kent a Collection of manuscripts which were my Father's lying in two Drawers of my Burse, and my farther Will and Desire is, that my Funeral may be as little expensive as is consistent with Decency, IN WITNESS whereof I hereunto set my Hand and seal in Fort S^t. George the [*lacuna*].

No Sign.

SIGNED and Sealed and Declared to be the last Will and Testament of the Testator in the presence of us.

No Witnesses.

Examined & Compared with the Original.
℔ NOAH CASAMAJOR *Reg^r.*

BY THE MAYORS COURT AT MADRASPATNAM.

BE IT KNOWN to all Men by these Presents that this 15th. day of July Anno Domini 1746 The Will of William Johnson Late of Fort St. George in the East Indies deceased hereunto annext was exhibited and proved before this Court and administration of all and singular the Goods Chattells and Credits to the said deceased in any wise belonging was and is hereby Committed to Elizabeth Johnson of the place aforesaid Executrix in the said Will Named being first sworn well and truly to administer the same and to pay to the Lawfull Debts of the said deceased and the Legacys in the said Will contained as far as the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said Deceased shall Extend and the Law oblige her and also to exhibit into this Court, a true and perfect Inventory of all the said Goods Chattells and Credits on or before one year from the date hereof, and to render into this Court a true & just account of all the Effects of the said Deceased on or before Two years from the date hereof Dated the day, Month, year and place abovementioned.

JOSEPH FOWKE *Mayr*.

NOAH CASAMAJOR *Regr*.

To

Messrs. John Hallyburton and William Douglas not to be opend untill my Death or orders from me to that Purpose.

JAMES OLIPHANT.

Examined & Compared with the Original.

℘ NOAH CASAMAJOR *Regr*.

IN THE NAME OF GOD AMEN.

I JAMES OLIPHANT being in perfect health and use of my senses considering the uncertainty of life and the Many unforeseen accidents that deprive us of it think it necessary to settle all my Temporal affairs by this making my last Will and Testament hereby annulling and Revoking all formerly made by me.

That my Body be decently interred and after the payment of all my just and Lawfull Debts I do hereby Will and bequeath the Residue of my whole Estate unto my youngest Brother Charles Oliphant whom I appoint my sole Heir and Executor, with a Reserve of Five hundred Pounds sterling to the Eldest of my Brother Alexander's sons should he have any to be paid him the said Eldest son whenever he is of age and in case of the Death of my said Brother Charles Oliphant then the whole of my said Estate to devolve unto the Eldest of my Brother Alexander Oliphant's Male Children but in default of them I will and bequeath the Residue of my said Estate unto the Eldest of my said Brother Charles Oliphant's sons, but should he my said Brother Charles Oliphant Dye without Male Issue and my said Brother Alexander Oliphant survive but without Male Children likewise then my said Estate shall devolve unto my said Brother Alexander Oliphant during his Life and in case of the Death or Non Existence of all these abovementioned the said Estate shall be equally Divided amongst my four sisters Elizabeth Margaret Abigail and Anne Oliphant in case of the Death of either or any of these my sisters then the said Estate to be equally Divided between such of these sisters as shall be then Living and lastly I do hereby appoint and desire my Dear Friends John Hallyburton and William Douglas of Madrass to see this my Last Will and Testament fullfilled and Executed so far as may Relate the same untill my Estate shall be Remitted home in the manner they shall Judge most Proper for Fort St. George this twenty eighth of April Anno 1740.

SIGNED AND SEAL'D Where no stamp'd Paper can be had in presence of.

JAMES OLIPHANT (LS)

GEO: JONES.
ROBT. TURING.

Examined & Compared with the Original.

℘ NOAH CASAMAJOR *Regr*.

By the Mayors Court at Madraspatnam.

Be it known to all Men by these Presents that this 22d. day of July Anno Domini 1746 The Will of James Oliphant deceased hereunto annext, was exhibited and proved before this Court and administration of all and singular the Goods Chattells and Credits to the said deceased in any wise belonging was & is hereby Committed to John Hallyburton of Fort St. George Merchant Executor in the said Will named, being first sworn well and truly to administer the same and to pay the lawfull Debts of the said Deceased and the Legacys in the said will contained, as far as the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said Deced shall Extend and the Law oblige him and also to exhibit into this Court a true and perfect Inventory of all the said Goods Chattells and Credits on or before one year from the date hereof and to render into this Court a true and just account of all the Effects of the said deced on or before Two Years from the date hereof Reserving Power of Granting the like administration unto Charles Oliphant an Executor also in the said Will named when he shall come to pray the same Dated the day month year, and place abovementioned.

Joseph Fowke
Mayr.

Noah Casamajor
Regr.

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